

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2518 - SB 2522

March 10, 2016

SUMMARY OF BILL: Expands the Class E felony of offering or accepting money for an aborted fetus to include the tissue and body parts of an aborted fetus. Requires a mother to provide written consent in order for any fetal tissue donation to be made in order to perform medical experiments, therapies, or transplantation. Creates reporting requirements for donated fetal tissue. Prohibits any organ procurement organization, procurement organization, educational institution, or research or other facility from accepting a fetal tissue donation from the same provider for a period of five years from the date the tissue donation was last made. Expands record-keeping requirements for ambulatory surgical treatment facilities. Authorizes abortion providers to receive fetal tissue preservation and storage supplies.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The Department of Correction has not recorded admissions for this offense. It is assumed expanding it to expressly include the tissue and body parts of the fetus will not result in any admissions.
- It is assumed that the courts, district attorneys, and public defenders can handle any impact within their existing resources.
- The Administrative Office of the Courts, the District Attorneys General Conference, and the District Public Defenders Conference confirm that they can handle any impact within their existing resources.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Krista M. Lee".

Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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